



Executive Director Report November 14, 2019

I am proud to lead this excellent team and glad to report our progress in the following areas:

State Plan

Our work on the state plan reached:

August 2019: 133,175 people

September 2019: 91,726 people

For a total of 244,901 people for those two months.

Completed the analysis of State Plan work completed last year. SCDD work reached 1.9 million Californians during 2019.

Self-Determination Program

Convened the Statewide Self Determination Advisory Committee, which identified barriers to participation, including the individual budget, the availability of independent facilitators, and the need for person centered planning. Worked with the Executive Committee on ways to support SSDAC's requests to be more independent.

Employment

The Governor signed SCDD-sponsored AB 1019 (Frazier), which names SCDD as a member of the Interagency Advisory Committee on Apprenticeships (IACA). I attended a recent IACA

and advocated for apprenticeships for people with IDD in civil service, health care, high tech, and building trades.

Public Safety

Distributed Public Safety Power Shutoff and wildfire information and resources statewide.

The Administration on Community Living (ACL) announced that they would like to tour California in February to meet with people with IDD, their families, and providers on their responses to disasters. We located a site in Chico, so they can discuss wildfires and PSPS, and San Bernardino, so they can discuss wildfires and active shooters.

Self-Advocacy

I worked directly with the Statewide Self-Advocates Network (SSAN) as they reviewed their Memorandum of Understanding with the Council. SSAN is a project of SCDD and is looking for ways to become stronger around advocacy and legislation.

Disparities

Conducted disparities work with Georgetown National Center on Cultural Competence and two regional centers as part of the SCDD grant from DDS. Spent 2 days each at the Valley Mountain and North Bay Regional Centers and worked with their leadership staff on building organizational cultural competence.

National Leadership

Invited by the Administration on Community Living (ACL) to be a part of a small group of Council Executive Directors to identify ways Councils can communicate with ACL and build value with administration values.

Administration

SCDD's budget continues to remain strong, with well managed cash flow in the face of federal uncertainty. Congress approved a continuing resolution for the current federal budget. The current wisdom predicts continuing resolutions for possibly the entirety of the federal fiscal year.

The current BSG vacancy rate is 5% and the overall vacancy rate is at 7%. SCDD met the goal of being under a 15% vacancy rate in BSG and under 10% across the organization by February 2019. We continue to work to maintain that goal.

SCDD's website will meet higher accessibility standards by January 1, 2020 (AB 434 requirements).

Honors

Received the Lanterman Housing Alliance "Housing Hero" Award

Nominated as a CA Forward "CA Steward Leader of the Year"